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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Beverly
Serial No.: 10/673,845
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For: A Tufting Machine Needle

Examiner: Nerbun, I. Izaguirre
Group A. U.: 3765

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

The applicant has received the Office Action dated March 23, 2004. Amendments to the claims and specifications are provided herewith on the version entitled *****VERSION SHOWING CHANGES MADE***** in accordance with the current requirements of CFR §1.120.